

HYDROCOLEUM HOLDENI nom. nov. — In RHODORA 1: 97. 1899, Mr. Holden describes a species of *Hydrocoleum* from Bridgeport, Connecticut, under the name of *Hydrocoleum majus*. In view of the fact that this name is preoccupied by *Hydrocoleum majus* Martens, Proc. As. Soc. Bengal, 183. 1870, the Bridgeport plant should receive another name and it is suggested that it be known hereafter as *Hydrocoleum holdeni*. Specimens of it have been distributed in Phycotheca Boreali-Americana as no. 602. — JOSEPHINE E. TILDEN, University of Minnesota.

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A LUXURIANT GROWTH OF JUNIPER. — *Juniperus communis*, var. *Canadensis*, Loudon., in Glastonbury, Connecticut, is a noticeable and conspicuous shrub on many of the dry hills and pastures of the town. In height these junipers have no uniform growth, but the outline is sure to be circular, at least where the patches are of good size. The central portion is often four to ten feet high, ascending, with trunks having few or no living branches near the base, finally topping out into a spreading, secund, evergreen growth.

The middle and outside portions of more recent growth, show less dead wood than the inner, with trunks and main branches more or less leafy to the base, the angle of ascent generally uniform all around.

Among the many and varied patches in this vicinity there is one of striking and remarkable appearance, exceptional even among others of large size. This I discovered on April 28, 1901, and a careful measurement around the outside branches showed a total circumference of ninety-eight feet. The central portion was about four feet in height and the outside about two feet. The entire growth of this mass of evergreen was almost free from dead wood, and only when the outside branches were laid back could the brown bare trunks of the inner portion be seen. The place was again visited on August 1, 1901, and the circumference had increased two feet, making it an even hundred.

Stepping into the growth I found the trunks and branches so massed and twisted as to sustain my weight. So far as I examined I could find no portion of the patch which had not made a growth of at least three to four inches during the season to date. — A. W. DRIGGS, East Hartford, Connecticut.